

the drunken and spend their substance with harlots and in riotous living. All such should be severed from the Church, unless they repent speedily. The numbers should be reduced, like unto the army of Gideon. The Lord told Gideon that he had too big an army, and it was reduced, (in the manner related in the seventh chapter of the Book of Judges) from two and thirty thousand to three hundred, which was all the Lord wanted. The others were told to go home, and Gideon, by following the instructions of the Lord, put all the hosts of the Midianites and Amalekites, who were said to be "like grasshoppers for multitude," to flight.

That is just what is the matter with us. There are too many with us who are not living as Latter-day Saints ought to live. Again, there are many who walk in other men's light. If they whose duty it is will only put away from us those who will not serve God, we shall find ourselves strengthened in the work in which we are engaged. If we will but do what is right we need not fear what our enemies can do. The Lord only wants the honest, the obedient, the faithful, and He will "turn the world upside down, waste the inhabitants thereof," and glorify himself by His people.

I have referred to the instance of Gideon on purpose to remind you that the work of the Lord is not upheld by strength of numbers, but it is by the Spirit of God—the spirit of obedience, which is better than sacrifice or the fat of rams, and that the wisdom of God is better than strength or weapons of war.

Men of intelligence—politicians from European countries as well as our own—have visited this country and I have heard them tell President Young that we had a very strong government in this Territory. We all know that; but it is good to have wise men visit Utah from abroad and see the excellence and strength of its government.

I would say to the people of the land—inasmuch as they are, making this bugaboo about polygamy—not to be deceived. The Governor has told men upon the streets that he did not care anything about polygamy; (we knew very well that he did not by his conduct;) but it was the power of the Church that must be broken. Must it? This is the work of the Lord, and there need not anybody mistake it. The order of God's church and kingdom is the strongest government ever known on this earth, and if the people of this great nation entertain any fears of the consequence or effects of such a government, why, I ask, don't you of the nation, you of Congress, you of the Cabinet, if you please, embrace this order of government and establish it over the nation! You can do it. You can repent of your sins, every one of you, and be baptized for a remission of them. You can adopt and extend this strong government which God has established in these mountains, and if you will do it God will establish you and the government and this nation never to depart from before His face; and you shall be made the means of helping to bring everlasting righteousness—the millennium—upon this land, and of causing the Spirit of God to rest down upon all flesh. Is it not worth your while to engage in a thing of this kind?

But, ah! the terrible fact exists that the blood of the prophets is upon this nation, although the nation has not shed their blood, yet a sovereign State permitted it, and the nation have not washed their hands from it. This accounts for the terrible hardness of heart that is to be found in this country.

Were it not for a lying press and a corrupt people in our midst, who incite ignorant people to send petitions against the "Mormons" to Congress by the bushel, the nation could not be wrought up to such frenzy, nor to make such laws as the Edmunds law against us. But they do these things because their hearts are hard, and because the blood of innocence rests upon them. This nation have yet to rise up and rid themselves of this blood, and place the responsibility where it belongs, or they will have to suffer as accomplices after the fact for these terrible things done in their midst—this people driven from city to city, despoiled of their goods; driven into the wilderness to this country, to find a home in which they could dwell in peace. Blessed be God for enabling us to find it out! We have had a home of peace and rejoicing, and we have been blessed in all things. Have we need to-day to be terrified? Do our hearts need to palpitate for fear? We have had a United States army camp in our midst already, and we have no occasion to fear now; God will work out the deliverance of His people.

The Lord never more thoroughly frustrated the design of an army than in the instance of that which came out here, and never was there a time when He caused the gain of the Gentiles to be scattered among His people more effectually than He did with the goods the army brought to this country.

Shall we fear to-day? Let us look back to Israel and see their deliverances—as related in the Bible and Book of Mormon—see what He did in former times. The secret of success is obedience to the commandments of God and to the covenants we have made with Him.

It does not become me to say what I will do when I am brought to the judgment seat to be tried and sentenced. A man don't know what he will do. Let us recollect the instance of Peter, who

walked with Jesus by day and by night. In the light of these things it does not do to boast what we will do; but I hope by the blessing of God to remain firm and immovable when these things look me in the face. I ask God to give me grace sufficient that I may keep His commandments, honor every law He has given, or shall give, and stand firm to the truth under every circumstance in life.

I pray that the blessing of God may be upon you. Be true and faithful to God. Let the brethren attend to those things which the First Presidency have pointed out in their Epistle in regard to transgressors, and they that fear not God neither regard His precepts and laws. Keep the commandments of God, and let us teach our families to do so also, that we may grow strong in His righteousness; then we shall find it is no matter how many there are against us. We shall know that there are more for us than against us. He will bring us all right up to the test and will find out what is in every man and what every man is able to endure. Our sisters think that they had all the hurt of this matter, that the men had it nice and fine; but I tell you the men will get their full share, and you sisters will get even with them, if you will only abide true and faithful.

May the Lord grant His blessing upon each as we have need; I ask it in the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

WEBER COUNTY ITEMS.

OGDEN CITY, Utah,
October 28, 1885.

Editor Deseret News:

It has been some time since anything has appeared in the News in the shape of correspondence from this place. Many circumstances have intervened to prevent my communicating items which doubtless would have been of interest to the thousands of readers of your valuable journal.

Eighteen hundred and eighty-five has certainly thus far been

A VERY EVENTFUL YEAR

in this as well as many other parts of our little mundane sphere. And as the "Course of Empire" has wended its way westward, it has brought with it and introduced among us many of the concomitants of modern civilization. Hence we have had our quota of murders, suicides, seductions, arsons, robberies, burglaries in the various degrees, besides

THE SEXUAL SINS

which are winked at by the "powers that be," because they flourish—I use the word advisedly—outside "the marriage relation;" while men, honest, virtuous, upright, true men, and loyal and useful citizens, are incarcerated in filthy dungeons because they dare to "fear God and keep His commandments," and raise up, support and educate a numerous offspring

INSIDE THE MARRIAGE RELATION.

What a contrast, and what a comment on the boasted civilization, enlightenment, liberty and freedom of the most favored nation on the footstool of the Creator!

The secret organizations, or at least some of them, have created considerable excitement in the town of late. They issued orders boycotting all white men who dared in any form to patronize the "heathen Chinese," declaring that "John must go," by means peaceable if he will, but otherwise if he must, and go in a hurry. Thus far, however, the subject of the "Celestial Empire" does not "go," but remains and pursues the even tenor of his way, peddling out his cabbage and onions, carrots and turnips, and other products to all who will "come buy of me." Thus, for the time being at least,

THE TEA POT TEMPEST

raised by the gallant "Knights" has subsided and we are looking for what will come next from the society disintegrators. One good thing has resulted from the white man's observations of the Chinaman's method of cultivating the numerous lots, and the success he has met with as the results of his patient toil and plodding. The white man has studied the heathen's tactics, and some are now endeavoring to compete with and supersede or supplant him by adopting his *modus operandi*. Time will develop the success or failure of their attempts to "fight it out on this line."

Realizing that "Johnny" is monopolizing the local trade in early garden sauce, etc., the agriculturists of Weber County have been awakened to the necessity of competing with him in this matter, and of emancipating themselves from the merciless grasp of the "middle men," who have for some time past monopolized and manipulated nearly all the shipping business, leaving the grangers out in the cold.

To protect themselves in the future, the agriculturists have organized

A FARMERS' UNION.

They have held several conventions, and have appointed committees who have drafted a constitution and by-laws for the government of the union. The farmers now seem to be in earnest, and at present each one is laboring to promote the interests of the whole. But they must not forget that "eternal vigilance" and constant, persistent adherence to their principles, and unflinching determination to stand by each other in all their dealings and as-

sociations are the terms which alone will secure them success. But if, as has been the case with some former organizations, the members become disunited and negligent, and feel that it is every man for himself and the "devil for them all," their present efforts will be futile, their institution will become dilapidated, fall into decay, and, like the man spoken of in Scripture, their houses (granaries) will be emptied, "swept clean and garnished" and their future condition will be far worse than their past or present. I sincerely hope that "wisdom will be justified" in all their business transactions and that the "Union" may be a grand success. The opportunity is offered them, and, in my opinion, it is with them, now or never succeed.

THE CROPS

of the farm, field, garden and orchard have been unusually good the present year. Hay of all kinds was never so abundant before. The yields were very heavy, and as a sequence it is exceedingly cheap. The market with this article is completely stocked.

I regret to say that many of the apples are much worm-eaten, also some of the pears and plums; still we have a large quantity of as fine, sound, healthy apples and pears as I have ever seen in this part of the county. The yield of wheat and all other kinds of grain equals that of any other year in the past for a long time. It has also been a grand treat, and much appreciated by our people to enjoy once more a plentiful crop of peaches, rich, rare, in size, quantity and quality. This luscious fruit in the spring was threatened with destruction by

LICE AND OTHER VERMIN,

but timely and drenching showers of rain cleared the peach orchards of these and other destructive pests, for all of which the people now feel truly grateful.

The yield of vegetables has been immense this year,

ESPECIALLY THE POTATO CROP.

In size some of them have been monsters; but the quality is equal to that of any former productions. A good outlet is found for them and immense shipments are being made every day. Barley and oats also find good sale. There have also been prolific yields of ground fruit, notably of the water melon. The crop has been the largest I have seen for many years. Large shipments of them have been made to distant stations along the lines of railroads.

COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY

has revived a little during the last two months and the mercantile houses, both wholesale and retail, have been well patronized, which causes broad, pleasant smiles to ornament the countenances of the merchants. I hope this change for the better will continue and be permanent. Other places besides the merchants' rendezvous are much frequented during these warm days; for as man is not "to live by bread alone," he requires a beverage. To accommodate the thirsty souls in this respect there are in this vicinity three breweries, and about twenty other places where the liquids can be obtained in

KINDS, QUANTITY AND QUALITY

to suit the purchaser. For the care of the soul we have about a dozen places of worship. The Latter-day Saints have six, and the Catholics, Episcopalians, Methodists, Baptists and Presbyterians, each have one; and all of these denominations have their day and Sabbath school, all of which I understand are in full session. They engage in the work of proselyting, and especially are all the others assiduously endeavoring to convert the "Mormon" youth from the faith of their fathers, and to attach them to their several sectarian denominations.

THE CITY FATHERS

are doing a good work in improving the condition of our streets, bridges, etc., finding employment for a considerable number of those who would otherwise still be wandering about,

Begging of their fellow worm
To give them leave to toil.

They are thereby creating a good feeling, gaining the confidence of their constituents and furnishing them the means to meet obligations that would otherwise remain unliquidated, besides putting our town and suburbs in a respectable condition.

I am sorry to have to state that

HOME INDUSTRIES,

with few exceptions, still remain in abeyance; yet some few of the citizens are straining every nerve to establish works that will give employment to the people, and do much to build up the homes and country of the *bona fide* residents. Among these I must not omit to mention the Ogden

MINING AND WORKINGMEN'S ASSOCIATION,

the members of which at the present time number forty.

A brief mention at this time is all that I make of this truly deserving company of real workers for ameliorating the condition of their fellows. The company own a number of valuable iron mines in various localities, in the north, northeast, southeast etc., also some valuable coal lands, all of which will, as early as practicable, be put in active operation for fully developing the true wealth that is concealed beneath the earth's rough ex-

terior. Vast quantities of excellent iron ore lie in sight at their mines and fair quantities of silver are found. Some of the

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are also among the possessions of this company. As ever, yours,
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A New King on the Throne?

"Malaria," as a "popular ailment" has given place to a new potentate.

If you have Rheumatism now, the medical wiseacres exclaim—"Uric Acid!"

If you have frequent headaches, they sagely remark—"Uric Acid!"

If you have softening of the brain, they insist that it is—"Uric Acid!"

If Sciatica or Neuralgia make life miserable, it is—"Uric Acid!"

If your skin breaks out in Boils and Pimples, it is—"Uric Acid!"

If you have Abscesses and Piles, "Uric Acid" has set your blood on fire.

If you have dull, languid feelings, backache, kidney or bladder troubles, gout, gravel, poor blood; are ill at ease, threatened with paralysis or apoplexy, vertigo; are bilious, dropsical, constipated or dyspeptic—"Uric Acid" is the key to the situation, the cause of your difficulties!

We do not know as madam Malaria will take kindly to the Masculine Usurper, but he has evidently come to stay.

"Uric Acid,"—this Monster is the product of the decomposition—death—constantly taking place within us, and unless he is every day routed from the system through the kidneys, by means of some great blood specific like Warner's safe cure, which Senator R. K. Bruce says snatched him from its grasp, there is not the least doubt but that it will utterly ruin the strongest human constitution!

It is not a young fellow by any means. It has a long and well-known line of ancestors. It is undoubtedly the father of a very great family of diseases, and though it may be the fashion to ascribe progeny to it that are not directly its own, there can be little doubt that if it once gets thoroughly seated in the human system, it really does introduce into it most of the ailments now, per force of fashion, attributed to its baleful influence.

CORRESPONDENCE.

A DISTINCTION CLAIMED.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah,
November 2d, 1885.

Editor Deseret News:

I presume we have had time in the last two months to hear from all ladies who claim "A disputed honor" in regard to being the first who have undertaken the composition of music. If so there is but one to put to flight so far as I am concerned. The one to whom I refer is our esteemed friend Sister Augusta J. Crocheron, whose article of Sept. 8th, you had the pleasure of heading "A disputed honor." Sister C. gave the public to understand that her "latest songs" were published—by referring us to their names.

I need only say the lady acknowledged to me a few days ago that they were never published.

I am also prepared to state that the tune in the primary tune book bearing her name was not entirely composed by her, as it was taken down by a musician, who added the requisite parts and arranged all for the press. Mrs. Flora S. Hill, author of the "Hero Waltz" and "Queen of the West," required no assistance in completing them for the press, and I am pleased to again state that she is the first lady in Utah who has issued sheet music, and that both pieces are very saleable where properly performed.

Respectfully, H. J. HILL.

EDUCATIONAL ITEMS.

BY W. M. S.

"In every age, even among the heathens, the necessity has been felt of having good school-masters in order to make anything respectable of a nation. But surely we are not to sit still and let them grow up of themselves? God will work no miracle to furnish that which we have the means to provide. We must, therefore, apply our money to train up and make them."—Martin Luther.

In governing children, threatening and scolding are some of the worst means used by parents and teachers. "John, study your lesson or I will punish you." "Mary, if you don't stop teasing your sister you shall go to bed without your supper." John continues his idleness in deceit and Mary finds another way to tease her little sister. The threatening and scolding are repeated with no better results. John loses respect for his teacher and Mary knows that her mother doesn't mean what she says.

"THE IMAGINATIVE FACULTY

creates the child-world. How careful we should be to see that this world is filled with pure creations. False teaching in any branch is not only wrong in itself, but its positive tendency is to beget immorality. If the child's mind is not properly trained, the enemy will come in and take possession."—Col. Parker.

EXERCISE

is the great law of growth. Parents, through their intense love for their children, plan for their ease and relieve them of all responsibility. Oh, what a wrong you do your children! Father, give your boy something to do; let him have a portion of the garden to cultivate, and hold him responsible for the work. Mother, have your daughter think of something beside dress and show, assign to her a portion of the house work, and make her responsible that it is done well. Remember the great educational truth, "we learn to do by doing."

The mind, like the body, must have food. This

MIND-FOOD

is obtained through the five senses. The body may become dyspeptic, so in the same way may the mind. How many children attending our schools are becoming dyspeptic! The teacher is dealing out mental food which the mind refuses, but it must be taken, for it is labeled "knowledge," and that is good for the mind.

"A child that comes to his mother and says that he saw a cow in the field that had five legs, or that he talked with his grandfather who is a hundred miles away, does nothing at which a parent should be alarmed. Habits of correct observation make it all right. A judicious mother would take her child by the hand and go and look at the cow, or ask him to find the place where he met his grandfather, and a good lesson would be taught him. Always set a child right when he says a thing that is wrong, and never fail to give him every chance of learning what is true."

WHEAT NOTES.

CULLED FROM THE CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISION REVIEW.

The weekly consumption of wheat in Chicago is 100,000 bushels.

The receipts of wheat at winter wheat points for the last two months aggregate about half as much as those of the same time last year.

The receipts of winter wheat at the interior points from July 1st to August 29th, have been about 7,200,000 bushels, against 15,961,000 bushels for the corresponding time last year.

McGeoch and Sanderson of Milwaukee were on the floor Wednesday. The latter expressed the belief that wheat will yet sell at \$1.25 on this crop.

Nearly all statistical writers are now advising farmers to hold their wheat for higher prices, and it is expected that this advice will be followed by as many as are able to do so, as it coincides with the farmers' own inclination.

N. H. Warren, a well-known member of the Board of Trade, had 200 acres of wheat on his Nebraska farm that he expected to yield 17 bushels per acre, last year. Before the hot weather he expected 20 bushels, but after being damaged 12 to 14 bushels was predicted. Upon threshing it yielded 8 bushels.

It is stated on English authority, that the wheat yield for all Great Britain is 29.6 bushels per acre, as compared with 30.1 bushels last year, and with 28 bushels as the average for twenty years. This is equal to 4 per cent above an average yield. According to this estimate the United Kingdom will need it is thought, 17,000,000 quarters more than has been raised to carry them through the present crop year. This includes, however, the stock of old wheat now on hand.

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